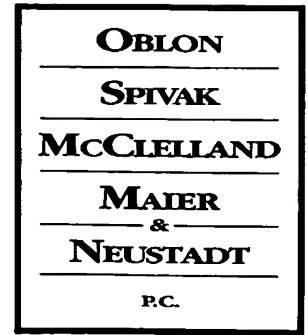




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Applicants: Kazuo SUZUKI, et al.  
Filing Date: January 24, 2002  
For: METHOD OF FORMING AN ARTIFICIAL SHIRO  
OF MATSUTAKE  
Examiner: LANKFORD, Jr., Leon B.  
Group Art Unit: 1651

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**RESTRICTION RESPONSE; INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT;  
FORM PTO-1449; Japanese Office Action w. English Translation; (7) Cited References**

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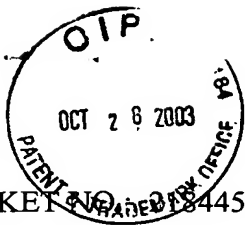


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Responsive to the Restriction Requirement of October 2, 2003, Applicants, elect, with  
traverse, Group VII, claims 7, 15, 23, 31 and 39.

REMARKS

The Examiner is requiring restriction as follows:

Group I, claims 1, 9, 17, 25 and 33 directed to an artificial Shiro of Matsutake,  
classified in class 435, subclass 390, for example;

Group II, claims 2, 10, 18, 26 and 34, directed to a method of making an artificial  
Shiro of Matsutake, classified in claim 424, subclass 93.5, for example;

Group III, claims 3, 11, 19, 27, 35, directed to a method of making an artificial Shiro  
of Matsutake 424, subclass 725, for example;